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Based on orders by Bengaluru's Tree Expert Committee (TEC), thousands of trees in the city are yet again in the line of fire.

The order copies with Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) show that while permission to remove 187 trees has been granted by the committee for a South Western Railway Project, over 2,000 trees have been permitted to be cut for Bengaluru's Suburban Rail Project (BSRP).

According to the public notice put up by SWR, permission was asked to remove 176 trees to accommodate extra tracks along the existing tracks and construction of a new rail line in connection with quadrupling work between KR Puram railway station and Whitefield.

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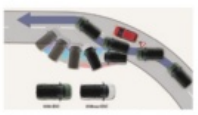
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Freedom Park's new hi-tech parking complex is ready

Space for 445 two-wheelers and 556 cars, offers structured fees with free pickup and drop-off services for visitors

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The long-delayed multi-level parking complex near Freedom Park is finally set to be inaugurated on June 20. For Rs 79.81 crore, BBMP constructed the country's first facility utilising advanced parking technology. However, the complex remained unused for three years until relaxed conditions attracted contractor interest, leading to the tender being awarded after seven failed attempts.

The parking complex accommodates 445 two-wheelers on the first floor and 556 cars across three floors: 118 on the first, 219 on the second, and 219 on the third. Fees are structured as follows: Rs 15 for bikes and Rs 25 for cars for the first hour, increasing with duration up to Rs 100 for bikes and Rs 165 for cars for 10-12 hours. Monthly passes are available at Rs 2,500 for bikes and Rs 3,500 for cars.

An official said, "The multi-level parking complex will offer free pickup and drop-off services for those who park their vehicles there, benefiting visitors to Vidhana Soudha, the High Court, Majestic, and surrounding areas. They can park their vehicles and easily travel to their destinations. This facility incorporates advanced parking technology, including an automatic parking guidance system, smart parking management, and digital signage, ensuring safe and efficient vehicle parking. The complex is equipped with 24/7 CCTV surveillance, fire safety equipment, and an emergency response system." The opening of this multi-level parking complex is poised to greatly ease parking challenges in the city centre. Following multiple tender calls, the contract has been awarded to two contractors for a decade, committing an annual payment of Rs 1.50 crore to BBMP.

Located near key destinations such as Vidhana Soudha, Vikasa Soudha, the Lokayukta, the High Court, City Civil Court, Bangalore University, Mysore Bank Circle, Income Tax Department, Chickpet, and Cubbon Park, this parking facility will be a major convenience for visitors to Gandhi Nagar, Majestic, and surrounding areas. "The area around Freedom Park houses many government offices and colleges, and this complex will be a boon for visitors. Additionally, it will be beneficial for those attending protests and demonstrations in the vicinity," said an official.

File photo of multi-storeyed parking lot being built at Freedom Park

> **"This complex is equipped with 24/7 CCTV surveillance, fire safety equipment and an emergency response system.**
> – BBMP official

Earlier, there were plans to ban parking around Freedom Park due to a lack of interest from contractors in managing the multistory parking facility nearby. The availability of free parking in the area was a major deterrent. This new parking facility aims to serve both commuters heading to the Central Business District (CBD) and the significant number of protestors who frequent the area. Protests near Freedom Park and Kalidasa Road lead to vehicles parked on nearby streets, causing traffic congestion and inconvenience to locals. BBMP aimed to ease this by planning a 1,000-vehicle capacity parking complex, yet free parking in the vicinity initially deterred interest.

NEET 2024 fallout: IAP pushes for re-evaluation & CBI probe

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Amidst the recent NEET results controversy, The Indian Academy of Pediatrics (IAP), the second-largest organisation of paediatricians globally, committed to children's holistic well-being, has raised additional inquiries regarding concerns following the release of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) by the National Testing Agency (NTA). These FAQs aim to address various queries and issues surrounding alleged discrepancies in the conduct of NEET 2024.

The IAP, representing over 45,000 paediatricians across India, boasts a strong network, including 32 state branches, 337 district and city branches, one foreign branch, and 30 subspecialty chapters and interest groups across five zones of the country.

Highlighting disparities observed in the NEET UG 2024 examination, the IAP expressed concerns following a recent press release by the NTA. The IAP cited the following statistics from the NTA's press release. The examination took place in 13 languages across approximately 571 cities, including 14 cities outside India, with 4,750 centres and oversight from 210,105 invigilators. A total of 24,06,079 candidates registered for the NEET UG 2024 examination, of which 23,33,297 appeared, and 13,16,268 qualified. This marks a notable difference from previous years, with around 11,45,976 qualifying in 2023 and approximately 9,93,069 qualifying in 2022. Interestingly, over 67 students achieved the 1st rank with a perfect score of 720, followed closely by scores of 718 and 719 for subsequent ranks. In comparison, in 2023, 2 students secured the 1st rank with a total score of 720, followed by scores of 716

and 715 for other top ranks. In 2022, 1 student clinched the 1st rank with a total score of 715, followed by 3 students also scoring 715.

However, the IAP pointed out that they have requested comprehensive clarification on several points. The NEET UG result press release lacks the marks obtained by the top 100 rankers, providing only their percentiles. This contrasts with previous years, where scorecards included both marks and percentiles for the top 50 ranks. The surge in the number of students qualifying for the NEET UG 2024 examination is strikingly higher compared to previous years. Questionably, 67 candidates secured the 1st rank with a perfect score of 720 in NEET UG 2024. Traditionally, first rankers achieved a perfect score of 720, followed by subsequent ranks scoring 716 or 715. However, this year, subsequent ranks had scores of 718 and 719, deviating from the usual scoring pattern, and raising concerns about the testing and evaluation process. NTA awarded compensatory marks for time loss, though not specified in exam guidelines, causing a sudden rise in the cutoff. Such rules should have been disclosed earlier. Additionally, addressing unfair practices like cheating and paper leaks requires immediate attention.

IAP further stated, "We request a CBI inquiry into the discrepancies as mentioned above and a re-examination to ensure a fair evaluation process. These candidates represent the hope for our future."

Don't botch it up, forest dept to start training snake handlers in city

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In the wake of multiple botched snake rescue operations by unskilled snake rescuers in the past, the Karnataka Forest Department (KFD) has finally started its programme to train snake handlers in the city.

Under this initiative, the department has decided to conduct a two-day training programme for rescuers in Bengaluru. The training will be held on June 19 and 20 at Bannerghatta Biological Park.

"Keeping in mind the instances of human-snake conflict, snake rescuers in Bengaluru and surrounding areas are key to peaceful and safe coexistence. Training will be given by experts on various aspects of snake rescue such as situations that warrant a rescue, protocols for the safe handling of snakes, strategies for community engagement, knowledge of the latest developments in taxonomy, herpetological science, snakebite management, etc," said a statement released from the department.

The programme will train participants to help the department in record keeping. After the programme, successful participants will be certified as trained rescuers by the department.

"We are mulling over uploading a detailed list of certified rescuers on our website so citizens can reach out to them when in need. The programme will also help us understand the level of human-snake conflict.

It will help us understand conflict-prone areas and this information can then be used to plan mitigation measures. The department will also play a role in the safe and scientific release of snakes," said Kumar Pushkar, additional principal chief conservator of forests (wildlife), KFD.

In October 2022, the department came up with a draft operational manual to effectively mitigate human-snake conflict. The idea was to institutionalise the process and make it compulsory for the handlers to seek a certificate from the department.

As per the manual, anyone interested in snake rescue will have to undergo a periodic certification programme at institutes notified by the department. The department had then mentioned that the handlers will have to undergo the certification and assessment program every two years. According to the department, the idea is to provide standard operating procedures to guide a rescuer in managing a conflict situation and build a system of accountability to regulate snake rescue across the state.

Later, in February this year, an instruction was issued by the department's Wildlife Division to all CCFs to conduct training programs for snake handlers as per the operational manual.

Interested volunteers can register at https://bit.ly/kfdswblr and https://forms.gle/mT8gNW2oK7usEhx58

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— UGC chief Jagadesh Kumar

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UGC issues guidelines over transparent disclosure

The University Grants Commission (UGC) has recently issued guidelines regarding transparent self-disclosure by Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in accordance with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. UGC secretary Manish Joshi said, "The NEP emphasises the importance of public self-disclosure as a fundamental principle. NEP contemplates that HEIs shall be responsible and accountable to the stakeholders through transparent self-disclosure of all relevant records. The availability of information in the public domain is an important source of accountability. Stakeholders in the higher education system, such as students, parents, research scholars, prospective students, regulatory bodies, accreditation agencies, alumni, and the public, desire to seek information from the websites of HEIs."

He said that every Higher Education Institution shall maintain a functional website for making relevant self-disclosure to the stakeholders. The disclosure made on the website shall have unrestricted access without any requirement of login/registration and shall have a 'Search' facility for easy access. HEIs are required to provide information related to various aspects such as the institution's overview, legal framework, accreditation status, financial reports, governing bodies, academic programs, admissions, research activities, student life, alumni association, and contact details.

"These guidelines are aimed at promoting transparency, accountability, and stakeholder engagement within the higher education sector. The guidelines underscore the importance of information accessibility and clarity in decision-making processes for students, parents, and other stakeholders. By ensuring transparent self-disclosure through functional websites, HEIs can enhance trust, credibility, and public confidence in the higher education system.

Compliance with these guidelines is crucial for HEIs to demonstrate their commitment to transparency and responsible governance in alignment with the objectives of the NEP 2020," Joshi added.

BCU's 3rd convocation

The Third Annual Convocation of Bengaluru Central University (BCU) is set to take place on Saturday, June 29, 2024, at 11:30 am in the Jnana Jyothi Auditorium on Palace Road, Central College Campus.

Thaawar Chand Gehlot, the Governor of Karnataka and Chancellor of Bengaluru City University, will preside over the event. Prof. T.G. Sitharam, Chairman of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), has graciously agreed to deliver the Convocation Address. Dr. M. C. Sudhakar, Minister for Higher Education and Pro-Chancellor of Bengaluru City University, will also be in attendance.

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Rain turns Thubarahalli Road into risky slush

Citizens of area plead for asphalting of road, but no action has been taken by authorities

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Approximately 2,000 citizens of Thubarahalli Extension face significant challenges commuting on the road connecting Thubarahalli with other areas, including several private schools. Due to the neglect and apathy of the authorities, travelling on this road has become an arduous task. When it rains, the road transforms into a mini-pond filled with slush, making it especially difficult for two-wheeler riders to navigate.

The citizens have been appealing to the authorities to address the issue, but their requests have gone unanswered, and the road remains unpaved. With more residential apartment complexes under construction, the situation is set to worsen. "I have been living here for the past 10 years, hoping the BBMP authorities would finally pave the road, but my hopes have been in vain. Commuting on this muddy, uneven road during the monsoon is a constant struggle. I appeal to the BBMP authorities to asphalt the road as soon as possible," said Jayakumar R, a person with disabilities.

Sunder Raman, an occupant of Thubarahalli Extension, is appealing to the BBMP authorities to assist the citizens. "We have been requesting and reminding the BBMP engineers of the need of asphalting the road but nothing has been done till date. The BBMP engineers are not even bothered to reply to our messages. The condition of the road between Thirumalaraya Swamy Temple and Vibgyor School Junction is pathetic," said Sunder Raman.

The condition of Thubarahalli Extention Road

> **I have been living here for the past 10 years, hoping the BBMP authorities would finally pave the road, but my hopes have been in vain**
>
> –Jayakumar R, citizen

A citizen speaking anonymously, mentioned that it has become customary for elected representatives and politicians to give assurances when approached by citizens seeking permanent solutions to infrastructure problems. "One of the politicians has assured us to look into the matter but never bothered to fix the problem," the citizen said.

A BBMP assistant engineer stated that the incomplete stormwater drain is causing waterlogging on Thubarahalli Extension Road. However, BBMP Stormwater Drain Assistant Executive Engineer Malati mentioned that the construction of the stormwater drain-cum-road has already begun. "We have already completed a 100-metre stormwater drain-cum-road and we have to complete the remaining 400-metre. Locals are causing issues for the workers involved in the construction. We had to pause the work for two months because the traffic police diverted traffic to this road due to pipeline work by the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) on the alternate road. We will complete the construction shortly," said BBMP Assistant Engineer.

IT sector fumes as Karnataka extends exemption unilaterally

KITU leads a major labour office march, with IT employees submitting a memorandum to the labour commissioner, strongly advocating for change

Karnataka State IT/ITeS Employees Union (KITU) has decided to protest against the Karnataka government's unilateral decision to extend the exemption given to the IT/ITeS sector from the Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act.

As per a circular dated June 10, the state government has extended the exemption of IT/ITES/Startups/Animation/Gaming/Computer Graphics/Telecom/BPO/other knowledge-based industries from the Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act, 1946 for an additional five years.

Despite concerns raised by KITU regarding companies' failure to meet conditions during the previous exemption, the government proceeded with extending the exemption for the IT/ITES sector from the Standing Orders Act. On March 16, KITU organised a labour office march involving hundreds of IT sector employees. They submitted a memorandum to the labour commissioner, urging against extending the exemption due to companies' non-compliance with conditions.

Karnataka is a leading IT sector hub with 8,785 firms and 18 Lakh professionals

Despite the labour commissioner's assurance of a decision only after hearing both parties, the government unilaterally extended the exemption for another five years without holding the tripartite meeting as promised. "This is a blatant attempt by the government to appease its corporate bosses, completely disregarding the concerns of the 20 lakh employees in this sector," the KITU said in a statement.

Industries exempted must adhere to several conditions, including establishing an internal committee as per the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act, setting up a grievance redressal committee with equal employer-employee representation, and notifying labour authorities about disciplinary actions like suspension, termination, or demotion. Additionally, they must furnish employee service details upon government request.

It is important to note that the Karnataka State IT/ITeS Employees Union filed a writ petition in the Karnataka High Court challenging the exemption, and this petition is currently under adjudication.

Estimates suggest that Karnataka is home to over 18 lakh professionals currently working in 8,785 IT/BT firms. Initially, on January 25, 2014, the state government exempted IT, ITeS, business process outsourcing, and knowledge process outsourcing firms from the Industrial Employment (Standing Order) Act 1946. This exemption was further extended for an additional five years from May 25, 2019.

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A drainage leak and sewage overflow from a manhole in Munnekolal, Marathahalli, has led to the area being inundated with a foul odour and contaminated drain water.

Water woes
Railway Colony

A leak in the Cauvery water control valve in Railway Colony, Venkatachary Nagar, R.M.V. 2nd Stage is a major concern amidst Bengaluru's water shortage. Moreover, sewage overflow raises contamination risks for the drinking water supply.

Road peril
SG Palya

A hazardous area lies on Tank Bund Road, near BET PU College, Bismillahnagar, S.G. Palya. The road bump is concealed, posing a risk to drivers. Additionally, the presence of parked vehicles increases the danger on this busy stretch.

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INTERVIEW | SR UMASHANKAR, BBMP ADMINISTRATOR

‘I will ask engineers to ensure quality of work’

New BBMP administrator plans to make sure that infra fixes for city are sustainable and long-standing

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Senior IAS officer SR Umashankar has assumed the role of administrator for BBMP. With BBMP elections pending, senior IAS officers are being appointed as administrators. The former administrator, Rakesh Singh, retired on June 30, and now Umashankar has stepped into the position. We spoke to him to understand the plans for Bengaluru. Excerpts:

A spray injection road repair equipment, being used to patch a pothole in the city; Inset: Umashankar intends to focus on durable solutions

What assistance does Bengaluru need from the Central Government specifically for BBMP’s operations?

Bengaluru, as a major economic hub, plays a crucial role in contributing to the national revenue through various taxes. The city’s substantial contributions to the Central kitty underscore the need for adequate support and resources from the Central Government to address the diverse challenges and development needs within BBMP’s jurisdiction.

How crucial is collaboration and consensus among different agencies?

Various agencies such as BDA, BMRCL, BWSSB, and BMRDA are actively engaged in enhancing the city’s infrastructure and services. However, achieving a consensus among these agencies is imperative to ensure streamlined and cohesive development efforts. While initial steps have been taken towards collaboration, there is a pressing need to expand and deepen these efforts. Collaboration on a larger scale will not only enhance efficiency but also promote holistic development across Bengaluru.

What recommendations do you have for officials?

Potholes have become a common issue in our city. The Fix My Street app has been instrumental in gathering feedback from residents. Recognising the importance of addressing this issue promptly, I have directed the engineering section officials to prioritise quality in road repairs. By focusing on quality, we aim not only to fix existing potholes but also to ensure that our roads remain durable and resilient in the long run.

How do you address waterlogging challenges?

There are numerous historical factors contributing to this issue in our city. Now, our focus needs to shift towards finding effective solutions. One of the primary issues is the incomplete coverage of stormwater drains across the city. Approximately 300 km of Rajakaluves need to be constructed, which will provide a long-term solution to the waterlogging problem. However, this extensive infrastructure development project will take several years to complete. In the meantime, we must implement temporary measures to mitigate the immediate impacts of waterlogging.

Given BBMP’s typical shortage of funds for new projects, what strategies do you propose to increase revenue streams?

The financial situation of BBMP has improved significantly compared to the previous year. This positive trend is expected to continue into the future. The Deputy Chief Minister has announced that the one-time payment scheme will conclude by July 31. I encourage all defaulters to settle their dues promptly. Doing so will not only contribute to boosting our tax revenues but also facilitate the ongoing improvement.

As this is your first assignment in BBMP, how do you plan to manage this mammoth body?

Though this is my first stint in BBMP in any capacity, I bring a wealth of experience with my previous experiences in various departments. I have worked as Deputy Commissioner in three districts and held administrative roles in three municipal bodies. Throughout my career, I have consistently engaged with people, understanding their needs and concerns. In this new role, my fundamental approach will be to listen attentively to the pleas and feedback of the residents. By carefully understanding their problems, we can then devise effective and sustainable solutions.

There are plans to create five new corporations out of BBMP. Could you provide further updates on this?

There have been ongoing discussions regarding the potential division of BBMP, although no final decision has been reached. These deliberations are taking place at the highest levels of leadership, and any decisions made will be officially communicated to the public in due course.

K’taka gears to scale it up, go global

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Karnataka has taken a big step to enhance its tech industry by launching the Hypergrowth Global Karnataka programme. This new initiative, announced at London Tech Week, aims to help high-growth startups from Bengaluru and nearby areas expand internationally.

Priyank Kharge, Karnataka’s Minister for IT/BT, announced the program, highlighting its focus on addressing the needs of late-stage startups. Unlike many other programs that cater mainly to early-stage ventures, Hypergrowth aims to tackle the unique challenges faced by scaleups. These include accessing executives with expertise in scaling and global commercialisation. The program,e will offer global mentors, expert advice from leading executives, and essential connections to potential new customers and investors, providing much-needed support for these companies.

Dr. Ekroop Caur, Secretary to the Government, Department of Electronics Information Technology Biotechnology and Science & Technology, emphasised the state’s commitment to creating a favorable environment for start-ups. “The Government of Karnataka is committed to making Bengaluru the best place for founders to start and scale their businesses through supportive policies,” she said. This initiative comes at a time when the Bengaluru-Karnataka startup ecosystem is receiving international recognition. Karnataka stands out as a Top 10 Global Ecosystem and the #3 Asia Ecosystem in funding, demonstrating strong early-stage funding and investor activity. The city is a key hub for India’s tech industry, hosting over 80% of the country’s global IT offices and 400 Global Capability Centres. This vibrant tech environment has produced 43 unicorns, including well-known companies like Zerodha, Cred, PhonePe, Flipkart, and Big Basket.

Darshan in custody: More details emerge in murder plot

Police have intensified their investigation into the murder of Renuka Swamy, leading to significant developments. Kannada actor Darshan’s phone, along with the phones of 12 other suspects, have been seized.

Additionally, a red jeep allegedly used by Darshan and his associates to dispose of Renuka Swamy’s body on June 8, has been confiscated. Authorities are also investigating the involvement of four vehicles in the crime, having already seized two of them.

Darshan’s arrest took place in Mysuru, after which he was transported to Bengaluru and placed in police custody for six days. Swamy’s body was discovered at Sumanahalli Bridge in Bengaluru on June 8. He was reportedly an employee at pharmacy branch in Chitradurga. The murder weapon is believed to be a wooden log, and the initial plan was to dispose of his body in the Vrushabhavati valley, but the body was found by dogs.

According to police reports, Swamy allegedly sent inappropriate messages to Kannada actress Pavithra Gowda, a friend of Darshan. This purportedly led to Swamy’s murder. Eight suspects have implicated Darshan, claiming he was present during the assault on Swamy.

Contrarily, Renuka Swamy’s wife has refuted allegations that her husband sent any offensive messages. She expressed disbelief over the need to kill him, stating that a warning would have sufficed if the claims were true. She called for justice regardless of Darshan’s celebrity status.

Police take actor Darshan’s aides to a godown at Pattanagere, where they believe Renuka Swamy was murdered, on Wednesday

Furthermore, on Tuesday, Karnataka police recovered CCTV footage showing a car, allegedly belonging to Darshan, near the disposal site of Swamy’s body. The footage from the early hours of June 9, also captured a car, believed to contain Swamy’s body and Darshan’s close aides. It remains unclear if Darshan himself was in the vehicle at the time.

Details emerge

According to police sources, Swamy drew the wrath of Darshan for making lewd comments against Gowda on her social media posts. “It was Pavithra who instigated Darshan to punish Renukaswamy. Accordingly, the plan was hatched,” they claimed. “Darshan engaged the Chitradurga unit of Darshan Fan Club Convenor Raghavendra alias Raghu, who obtained all information about Renukaswamy.”

Swamy’s wife Sahana alleged that Raghavendra picked up her husband on Friday night from near their house in Chitradurga.“Darshan beat up Renukaswamy with a belt. After he fell unconscious, his accomplices thrashed him with sticks. Further, they threw him against a wall, which proved fatal, as he suffered multiple bone fractures” they said, adding, after the killing, his body was dumped in a storm-water drain. – PTI & BMB

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Committee must analyse need to cut each tree, say experts

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Similarly, Karnataka Rail Infrastructure Development Company Limited (K-RIDE), through multiple applications requested the removal of over 4,000 trees. Out of these, while 1,227 trees were required to be removed for the design and construction of the elevated viaduct of corridor 2 of BSRP, 661 trees along the roadside were proposed to be felled and 2,495 trees standing in the project area between Benniganahalli Railway Station and Chikkabanavara Railway Station required felling.

TEC has granted permission to remove 2,797 trees.

City-based tree activists and environmentalists have objected to TEC's order stating permissions to hack the city green cover is being granted for BSRP, while a public consultation meeting is due on June 14.

"What is the point of issuing these orders, when K-RIDE has called for a public consultation about the overall environmental impact of the project? It appears that the public consultation is a farce," said a city-based activist.

No compensatory plantation

Concerned citizens and experts also raise the issue of a lack of information about compensatory plantations in the orders passed by TEC.

"While the green cover is being hacked at a rate never before, ghost compensatory plantation activities are becoming the order of the day. TEC's order copy on permission for felling over 2,000 trees does not have any details about the compensatory plantation," said a citizen.

Experts also highlight concerns around K-RIDE's Environment Impact Assessment document, which states that compensatory plantation for BSRP will be taken up by BBMP.

"BBMP lacks resources to carry out its day-to-day activities. Even if K-RIDE will extend financial help, this arrangement is unlikely to work. A good case in point is that of the Bengaluru-Mysuru expressway. While the agency responsible for carrying out compensatory plantation for the project on behalf of NHAI, it never saw the light of the day," said the environmentalist.

Experts say TEC must analyse each tree separately instead of performing a shoddy job such as in the case of the order allowing K-RIDE to remove thousands of trees.

Plea filed in HC seeking BSY arrest

A writ petition was filed in the Karnataka High Court on Wednesday, seeking the arrest of former Chief Minister and BJP Parliamentary Board member BS Yediyurappa. The petition, submitted by the victim's brother, claims that despite a complaint being lodged months ago, no action has been taken by the police.

The case originates from a complaint filed by the victim's mother in March under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act. The complaint alleges that Yediyurappa harassed her daughter when she visited his residence seeking assistance regarding a 2015 assault case.

The victim's mother passed away on May 26.

The petitioner has raised concerns over the investigation process, highlighting that the police have not seized CCTV footage from Yediyurappa's residence, nor have they served a notice under Section 41A, a standard procedure in POCSO cases.

In response, Yediyurappa has approached the high court seeking the quashing of the POCSO case against him. He asserts that he did not commit any unlawful act and claims that the complainant has a history of filing complaints. Yediyurappa mentioned that he had cooperated with the police investigation, providing voice samples, although his statement was not recorded. **BMB**

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FELL IN HIS PRIME: JUMBO DEATH LEAVES ALL SHOCKED

Ashwathama is the latest to fall victim to what conservationists are calling sheer carelessness on part of authorities

Dasara elephant Ashwathama was electrocuted and died on Tuesday in Mysuru

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The death of 38-year-old Ashwathama, a Dasara elephant, on Tuesday, has once again sparked concerns over jumbos dying due to electrocution in Karnataka.

According to the elephant mortality report of Karnataka Forest Department (KFD), four elephants in the state have died due to electrocution in just last one month.

Apart from Ashwathama, who died in Mysuru, one elephant death was recorded from Chikkamagaluru, and two deaths due to electrocution were recorded in Madikeri.

Between January 2021 and now (June 12, 2024), Karnataka has lost 35 elephants to electrocution. Out of these, 12 cases were recorded in 2021, nine in 2022 and 2023 each, and five deaths have been registered this year.

Overall, 47 cases of unnatural deaths in jumbos have been recorded in the given period, which include deaths by gunshots, electrocution, road and train accidents, and snaring.

"Ashwathama's death is a case of sheer carelessness. According to media reports, KFD officials have claimed that the elephant died after touching a solar fence, which is bizarre. How can an elephant die of a 12volt timer-based solar fence when it cannot even kill a pig ? Another claim by officials that Ashwathama died of a weak pancreas is also outlandish. It is a case of illegal power tapping. The department should work towards eradicating incidents of illegal power tapping to reduce elephant deaths due to electrocution," said Ramesh Belagere, wildlife researcher, Foundation of Ecology and Education Development.

Last year, the forest department convened a meeting with power-supplying companies to discuss the issue of illegal tapping of power lines. Officials then met BESCOM (Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited), HESCOM (Hubballi Electricity Supply Company), and other electricity supply companies in the state to understand the issue and ensure illegal tapping is stopped.

However, conservationists and experts working on the ground say not much has changed.

"Electricity companies are not taking precautionary measures and we are hearing more and more cases of sagging power lines and illegal tapping every day. However, there is a High Court order on the issue, but rules are not being implemented by various line agencies. While very few cases of such offence are being registered, the majority never reach logical conclusions. There is not much of a deterrent," said a wildlife conservationist.

Trouble in corridors

Recently, the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change (MOEF&CC), in association with the Wildlife Institute of India (WII), identified nine elephant corridors in Karnataka. Out of the identified corridors, one was found to be impaired and thus required immediate restoration to facilitate the movement of elephants.

The Ministry had also recommended that the state forest department notify seven of the nine corridors so that they are legally protected to prevent encroachment and development activities, which can be detrimental to animal movement. For the remaining two corridors, the Ministry has suggested eviction of encroached areas and habitat improvements, including removing invasive alien species, creating waterholes, and establishing fodder plots.

"Elephants are long-ranging mammals and are accustomed to using traditional corridors. However, these corridors also have highways, agricultural land, railway lines, and encroachment issues, leading to an increase in cases of unnatural deaths. It is time that these corridors are notified. Just identifying them is not sufficient," added the conservationist.

MISSING ROMEO

Animal enthusiasts are devastated by the passing of Ashwathama, a cherished elephant at the Mattigodu Elephant Camp in Nagarahole National Park. Known affectionately as 'Romeo', Ashwathama was adored by visitors and staff alike. His distinctive demeanour and behaviour endeared him to everyone. Much like the popular elephants- Abhimanyu, Arjuna, Drona, and Balarama, Ashwathama held a special place among elephants. His affectionate gestures, particularly towards women, captivated all who encountered him.

"A great example is the love story of Ashwathama and Lakshmi during the 2021 Dasara festivities. At the time, Ashwathama was in his prime, and it was his first time participating in Dasara. He 'fell in love' with 20-year-old Lakshmi, a female elephant, at first sight. Initially, Lakshmi was fond of Dhruvanth, but she was eventually won over by Ashwathama's charm and began spending time with him. Their love story became a highlight of that year's Dasara celebrations," said an official. Their love story was a sensation, the official said. "Their strong bond created a dedicated fan base for Ashwathama, earning him the nickname 'Romeo'. Standing 9.3 feet tall, 11.3 feet long, and weighing over 3,700 kg, Ashwathama was a majestic elephant. He possessed all the qualities of an ideal elephant, including a strong back and curved tusks, making him a perfect candidate to carry the golden howdah (Ambari) during the Dasara festivities. Abhimanyu, the elephant carrying the Ambari, is 58 years old and expected to retire in two years. Forest officials had high hopes that Ashwathama would take over this prestigious role." —Sridhar Vivan

Yet another fishkill at Panathur Lake

Residents around Panathur Lake in East Bengaluru have reported yet another fish kill incident in the waterbody on Wednesday morning.

According to residents and lake walkers, over a 100 fish were found floating on water surface. They said Panathur is receiving raw sewage, which has led to this incident.

"Sewage is directly flowing into the lake. We are already witnessing fish kill incidents in other lakes in the area such as Vasantpura and Seegehalli. This is the situation despite crores of rupees spent on rejuvenation of these water bodies," said Balaji Raghotham Bali, a lake activist in the area.

Residents say the issue has already been flagged.

"We spoke to BBMP officials and they informed us that sewage is entering as the inlet wall was destroyed by some miscreants. The civic agency should take action immediately," said another resident of the area.

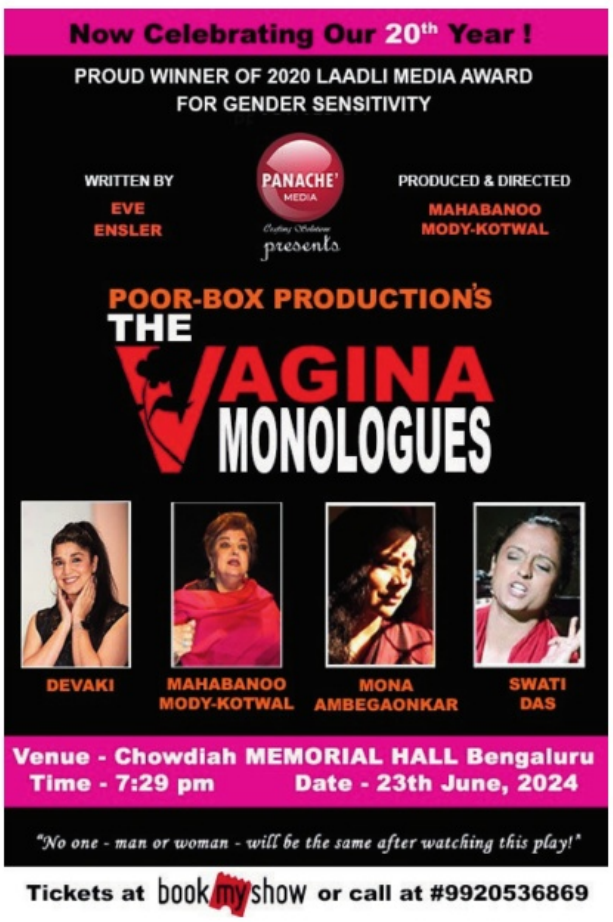
'Policy on hazardous medical waste'

Karnataka Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre has instructed officials of the Karnataka Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) to prepare a draft policy for scientific transportation and disposal of hazardous medical waste. The Minister gave the order in KSPCB's progress review meeting on Wednesday.

"There are complaints that the disposal of medical waste generated in nursing homes and hospitals are not being disposed of scientifically and waste items such as syringes, bandages, etc., are being discarded along with other dry waste," said Khandre.

He also instructed KSPCB to file cases against local bodies not adhering to rules regarding the discharge of wastewater in water bodies.

Instructions were also given around poor water quality of lakes due to sewage entry leading to fish kill during monsoon. Khandre directed the officials to issue notices to the local bodies to clear waste accumulated in stormwater drains. The Minister also directed officials to issue early notices to Plaster of Paris (POP) Ganapati idol makers not to manufacture POP idols during the upcoming Ganesha festival. **BMB**



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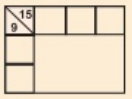
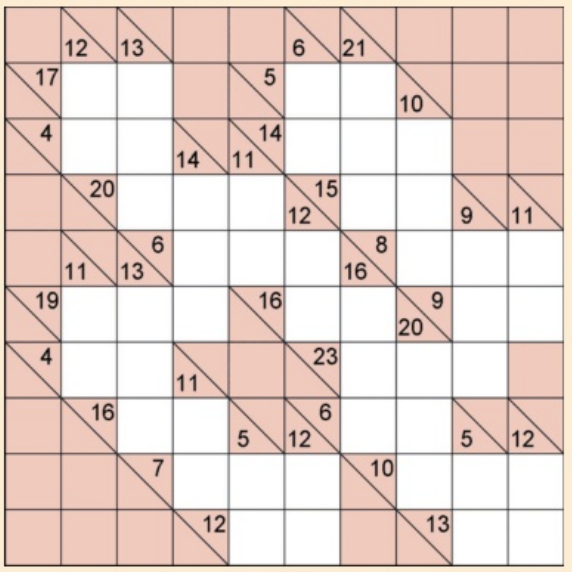
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas



for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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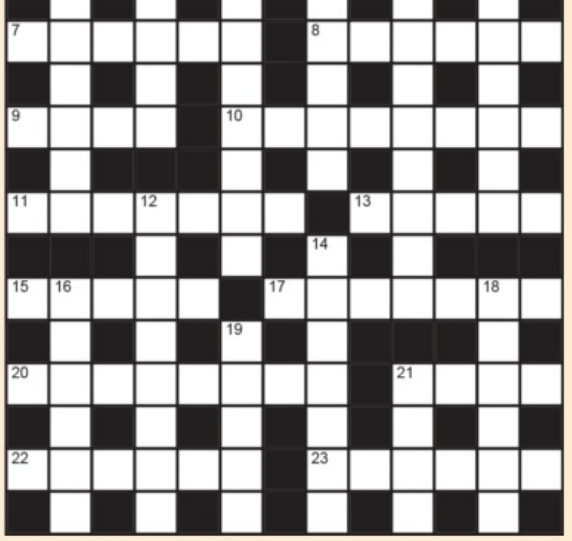


ACROSS

7 It's said to be more than wealth (6)
8 Half Girlfriend author Chetan ___ (6)
9 Physique (4)
10 Occurring intermittently (4-4)
11 Used by the slow bowler? (3-4)
13 Imbibed (5)
15 Plant firmly (5)
17 Dealers or merchants (7)
20 Soft soap (colloq) (8)
21 Crippled or maimed (4)
22 Staffed (6)
23 Dr ___ Tendulkar : Sachin's dad? (6)

DOWN

1 Disembark (3,3)
2 Feet of __ : trait of a coward? (4)
3 Interrupts, contributes money etc.? (5,2)
4 Give up on (5)
5 Stumbled, floundered or hesitated (8)
6 Bruce Wayne's alter ego (6)
12 Perspiring due to excessive tiredness (8)
14 Appeals to a higher power (7)
16 Cuisine which is a fusion of Kodava and Mangalorean (6)
18 Negligent or careless (6)
19 Gives food to (5)
21 Branch (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: L EQUALS T

KSKTV PNU XNM MKKU LXK INYY LXNL YRPRLM XRM PRUE.

Linemaro

You must be queen of hearts; you've just stolen mine

Mindchow

The secret of life is to be interested in one thing profoundly and a thousand things well

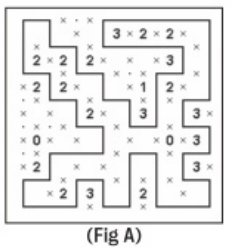
Joke of the day

You are seriously bored in life if you look forward to the 25th anniversary re-release of the kitschy movie you hated the first time around

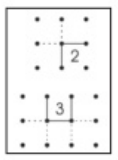
Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)

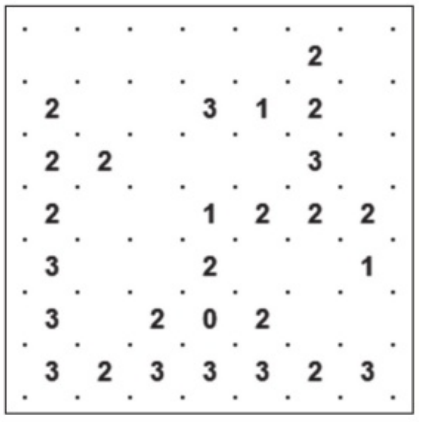


(Fig B) Not Allowed

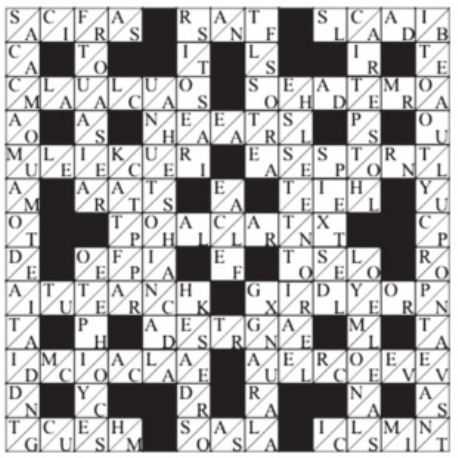
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...

1	2	3	4	5
6				
7				
8				
9				Y

ACROSS

1 Pad is; 6 Creon; 7 I gale; 8 Idler; 9 TU fly

DOWN

1 Fracs; 2 A girl; 3 Oil up; 4 Let in; 5 Dye Ed

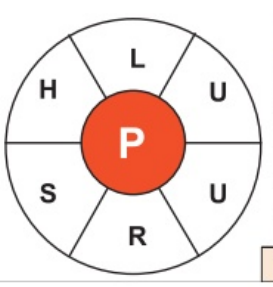
Mensapuzzle

$$x + 2y > x - 2y$$

Which of the following is equivalent to the above?

a) x > 0
b) y > 0
c) x > y
d) x < 0
e) y < 0
f) y > x

Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

06 Average; 07 Good; 09 Outstanding

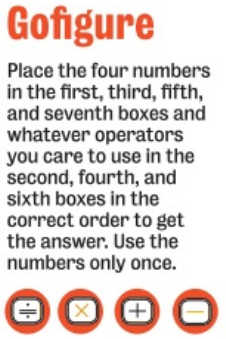
SudokuChallenge

2			7		8			4
8	9						7	5
			9		3			
	8		3		4		5	
		6				8		
	4		5		9		2	
			1		6			
4	1						6	7
3			4		2			8

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

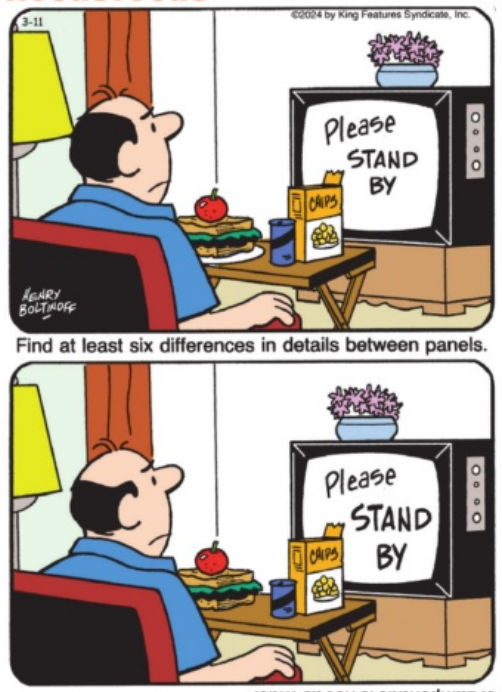


Easy = 26
3 3 5 6

Medium = 4
2 2 3 4

Hard = 48
1 5 6 3

Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

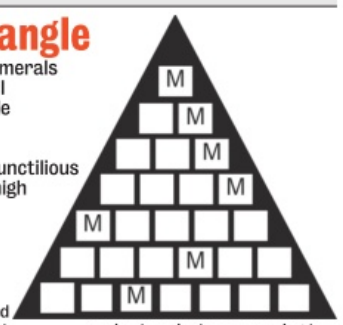
Differences: 1. Words are different. 2. Can is shorter. 3. Plant is moved. 4. Man has less hair. 5. Plate is missing. 6. Lampshade is not as wide.

Riddler

What has the head of a horse, the tail of a monkey, eyes like a chameleon, and the pouch of a kangaroo?

Alpha triangle

1 1000 in Roman numerals
2 I think therefore I
3 Prepare for battle
4 Move aimlessly
5 Grinding tooth
6 Ceremoniously punctilious
7 Relating to the thigh



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

COMICS

Popeye

Bizarrotrip

Wayno & Piraro 3-11-24
You three start without me. I forgot to switch to Armageddon saving time.
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Diamond Lil

Hart of the city

PEG'S BRAS
MOM, WHAT IS THIS??
SALE
I THINK IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO UPGRADE FROM YOUR TRAINING BRA.
I THINK YOU NEED SOMETHING WITH MORE SUPP--
MOM, WE'RE IN PUBLIC!!
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Crankshaft

ONLY TWENTY-THREE MORE STOPS UNTIL MY PACKAGE FROM BEAN'S END ARRIVES.
TWENTY-THREE? HOW MANY STOPS WERE THERE WHEN YOU STARTED?
SEVENTY-EIGHT.
IT WAS COMING FROM MEXICO!
BATLIUK & DAVIS tombatliuk.com/books
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Mutts

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today, you are blessed by the moon. Work pressure may ease. Your earnings could turn into profits. You may consider long-term investments. You may get an overseas work order, which may give you financial benefits in the future. You may find your soul mate. Students may hear good news in their academics.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today you are blessed by the positive moon. You may perform well on your professional front. You may implement your business plans very easily with the help of your subordinates. Investments, both intellectual and financial, could yield profits, boosting confidence. You may use your wisdom to reap rewards.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today, you are blessed by the moon. Your spiritual power may make you happy. You may experience a positive mindset and a spiritual inclination today. You may plan to visit some religious places. You may also take interest in occult science. You are likely to observe flawlessness in your nature. Keep your opinions to yourself and confide only in those who can empathise with your sentiments to avoid falling prey to conspiracy.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today, you may feel dull. You may have a lack of patience, for seeking peace you may be attracted to the occult. It is advised to follow your intuition before making an important decision. With the help of meditation and chanting mantras, you may get in-depth knowledge of a subject and focus on the subject.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today you are blessed by the moon. It may help you to improve your inner strength. You are likely to get some new opportunities for your business and work. It will pay you in terms of gains soon. Couples may hear good news in terms of childbirth. Love birds are advised to be clear in their views with each other to maintain harmony in the relationship.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today you are blessed by the moon. Messy things are now under control. Your boss may commend your performance, potentially leading to new responsibilities and a promotion. Money which was stuck is likely to be recovered now, it may help in the savings. You may hear some good news in terms of legal matters. Issues with the siblings are likely to be resolved now.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today, you are likely to hear some good news in terms of jobs. You may plan for higher studies to groom your career. You are likely to be busy with some motivational events. Singles may hear good news in terms of marriage. Couples may hear some good news in terms of childbirth.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today, you are likely to hear some good news in terms of jobs. You may plan for higher studies to groom your career. You are likely to be busy with some motivational events. Singles may hear good news in terms of marriage. Couples may hear some good news in terms of childbirth.

Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today, you are likely to have good patience. Meditation may help you to increase concentration, which will speed up your project. Your subordinates may cooperate with you, it may help you to complete the project before time. Short work-related travels may occur today. You might encounter an influential individual who could potentially assist in advancing your business.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today, you might invest in purchasing creative artefacts to enhance your home decor, thereby elevating your social status. You may implement some new plans into your family business, it will pay you in terms of gains soon. You may also be busy in family or social get-togethers.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today is a good day for you. You may have good vitality and health. You may enjoy your work. Today, your challenge is to refrain from being too straightforward. It is advised to avoid arguments on worthless topics as they may lead to some disputes in the family. Job seekers may find suitable jobs. Love birds are advised to avoid making arguments on worthless topics.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today you are not blessed by the moon. You may feel unhappy and become impatient. Today, you may find it difficult to perform your task and not be able to fulfil your desire. You want to be detached from the given responsibility. You may not be able to complete any task.

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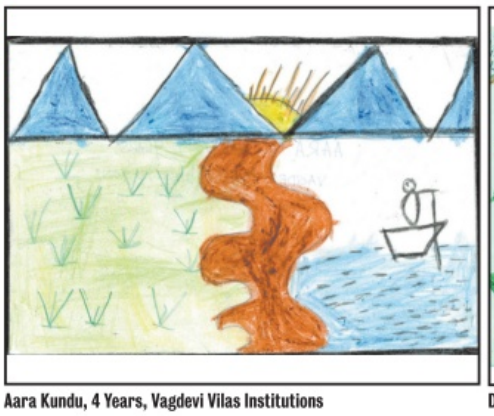
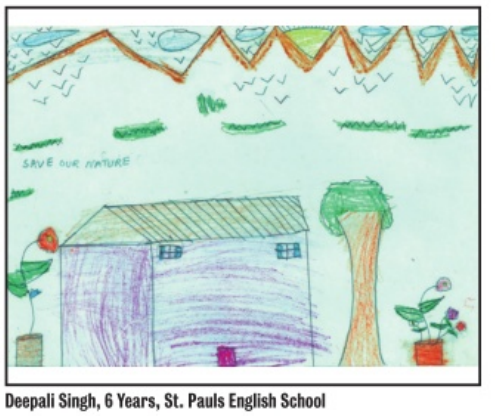


Aara Kundu, 4 Years, Vagdevi Vilas Institutions



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SOLUTIONS

SOLVE IN 1M
= (11 + 13)^5 ÷ (7 + 5)^5
= 24^5÷12^5
= 2^5 × 12^5 ÷ 12^5
= 2^5
= 32

BULL'S EYE
lupus, plus, plush, purl, push, slurp, spur, SULPHUR, usurp

FAST FIVE

S	A	P	I	D
C	R	O	N	E
A	G	I	L	E
R	I	L	E	D
F	L	U	T	Y

STRIKE OUT

A	I	R	S	
C	O		I	L
C	A	U	C	U
N	C		D	E
O	S		N	E
M	E	E	K	E
M	R	A	T	
O		P	H	A
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A	T	T	A	C
T	H		A	E
I	C	I	C	L
N	C		D	E
C	O		I	L
G	U	S	H	

QUICK

MENSA PUZZLE
B; y > 0

RIDDLER
A male sea horse

QUOTE UNCODE
Every man has seen the wall that limits his mind.

SUDOKU

3	6	7	4	9	2	5	1	8
4	1	9	8	3	5	2	6	7
5	2	8	1	7	6	4	3	9
1	4	3	5	8	9	7	2	6
9	5	6	2	1	7	8	4	3
7	8	2	3	6	4	9	5	1
6	7	5	9	4	3	1	8	2
8	9	4	6	2	1	3	7	5
2	3	1	7	5	8	6	9	4

ALPHA TRIANGLE
M, Am, Arm, Roam, Molar, Formal, Femoral.

GO FIGURE
Easy
5 × 6 + 3 + 5 = 26
Medium
2 − 3 + 2 × 4 = 4
Hard
5 + 3 × 6 × 1 = 48

LOOP

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- ಮಾತೋಶ್ರೀ ಡಾ. ದಾಕ್ಷಾಯಿಣಿ ಎಸ್. ಅಪ್ಪಾ
ಚೇರ್‌ಪರ್ಸನ್ ಶರಣಬಸವೇಶ್ವರ ವಿದ್ಯಾವರ್ಧಕ ಸಂಘ, ಕಲಬುರಗಿ

ಎಸ್.ಬಿ.ಆರ್ ಕಾಲೇಜು ತನ್ನ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಿತವಾದ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣಕ್ರಮದಿಂದ ಪ್ರತೀ ವರ್ಷವೂ ಮೆಡಿಕಲ್ ವಿಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಮೋಘ ಸಾಧನೆಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾ ಬಂದಿದೆ. ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ನಾಡಿಗೆ ಎಸ್.ಬಿ.ಆರ್. ಸಂಬರ್ ಒನ್ ಆಗಿದ್ದು ಸಂತೋಷ ತಂದಿದೆ. ಶಿಕ್ಷಣದ ವಿವಿಧ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಎಸ್.ಬಿ.ಆರ್ ತನ್ನದೇ ಆದ ಕೊಡುಗೆಯನ್ನು ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾ ಬಂದಿದೆ ಅದರಲ್ಲೂ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ವಿಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರತೀ ವರ್ಷವೂ ಕೂಡಾ ಅತಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಅಂಕಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆದು ಸಾಧನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಇದು ಇಲ್ಲಿನ ಗುಣಮಟ್ಟದ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಕ್ಷಿಯಾಗಿದೆ.

-ಶ್ರೀ ಬಸವರಾಜ ದೇಶಮುಖ,
ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳು, ಶರಣಬಸವೇಶ್ವರ ವಿದ್ಯಾ ವರ್ಧಕ ಸಂಘ

DISTRICT 2nd TOPPER

700

NEET SCORE

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ಎಸ್.ಬಿ.ಆರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಿರಂತರವಾಗಿ ಪ್ರತಿವಾರ ವೀಕ್ಷಿ ಟೆಸ್ಟ್, ಕ್ಯೂಮಿಲೇಟಿವ್ ಟೆಸ್ಟ್ ಮತ್ತು ಗ್ರ್ಯಾಂಡ್ ಟೆಸ್ಟುಗಳನ್ನು ಇರುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಇದರಿಂದ ಸಮಯಪಾಲನೆ ಮಾಡುವಲ್ಲಿ ಸಹಾಯವಾಗುತ್ತಿತ್ತು. ಯಾವುದೇ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲೂ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರು ನಮ್ಮ ಡೌಟ್ಸ್ ನಿವಾರಿಸಿ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಮೊಬೈಲ್‌ನಿಂದ ದೂರ ಇದ್ದೆ. ಹೀಗಾಗಿ ನನಗೆ ನೀಟ್‌ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಯಲ್ಲಿ 700 ಅಂಕ ಗಳಿಸಲು ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಯಿತು.

ಪಂಚಾಕ್ಷರಿ ಲೋಣಿಮಠ, ನೀಟ್ ಟಾಪರ್

A Quantum Leap: 500+ Prospective Medicos

700 & Above Marks	Above 650 Marks	Above 600 Marks	Above 550 Marks	Above 500 Marks
2	36	161	306	470